



Information Notice

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Meeting regarding interim Eircom charge for
the provision of Emergency Call Answering
Service (ECAS)

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Meeting regarding Eircom charge for the provision of ECAS for the interim period

Under Section 58H of the Communications Regulation (Amendment) Act, 2007 ('the Act') Eircom is the designated interim Emergency Call Answering Service ('ECAS') operator. The appointment of BT Ireland by the Minister of the Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources as the longer term ECAS operator was made on 12th February 2009 and BT Ireland will begin operations in 2010.

Under Section 58H(2) of the Act, ComReg may, by notice published in *Iris Oifigiuil*, fix the amount of the interim emergency call handling fee payable to Eircom and may from time to time, by similar order, vary the amount of that fee. This will be the amount payable on each electronic communication forwarded from an undertaking to Eircom, for onward transmission to an emergency service. To reflect the transition costs which will be borne by eircom during the migration period to BT Ireland, ComReg is currently determining an amendment to the current interim fee, and the fee will come into effect from the date of publication in *Iris Oifigiuil*.

In accordance with Section 58H(4) of the Act, all undertakings that will be affected by Section 58H(2) are invited to attend a meeting to be held on **Friday 10th July 2009** at a location and time to be arranged by ComReg. Parties who wish to attend must inform ComReg in writing by 3pm on Thursday 9th July 2009, using the contact details set out below:

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